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Ms. Karla Houchins
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Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services
3418 Knipp Drive, Suite F Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

Re: Letter of Support for Kansas City Post Acute — 70 Skilled Care Facility (#5374)

Dear Ms. Houchins:

I fully support the Certificate of Need request currently under review for the Kansas City Post Acute project #5374 NS, by the Department of Health and Senior Services. The senior citizen population in Clay County has increased over the past several years and will likely continue to grow.

I am excited about this project which will establish a 70-bed, all private room, care skilled nursing facility in my district. A facility of this type will help to fill a growing need for senior citizens and health care placement needs in our community. I also believe that this project will help beautify the surrounding neighborhood and improve the overall health care services provided to area residents.

This project will have a positive impact on both social and economic development by creating new jobs in the areas of construction, skilled nursing care, administration, food services, activities, laundry, housekeeping, social services, and maintenance.

It is estimated that this project will create approximately 350 full-time construction jobs and will eventually result in over 120 full-time healthcare related jobs.

Lask that you support and approve this worthwhile healthcare facility for the residents of the City of Kansas City, Clay County and the surrounding service areas.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely.

Senator Ryan Silvey

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